SIERRA CLUB
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DIRECTORS MEET, ENJOY BANQUET IN L. A.

Meeting in Los Angeles for the first time in two years, the Board of Directors of the Sierra Club dealt with an agenda that was as varied as usual on November 10.

Many club members attended the meeting, and it was good to know of the interest of the large group that stayed throughout the day to listen to (and occasionally take part in) the deliberations of the board.

Not that the Board could afford to be very deliberate, with 27 items to be dealt with and a solemn promise on the part of President Harold Crowe that he would end the meeting at 4 o'clock. He kept it, too.

New Mountain Cabin for Club

Among the matters discussed was the offer of Mr. E. T. Guymon, Jr., of San Diego to present to the Sierra Club two attractive cabins in the Laguna Mountains. In a pine forest near the drop-off to the desert, these cabins should offer members access to either peaks or desert. The Board voted to accept the generous offer in the name of the club. The San Diego Chapter will administer the property, and it should give much pleasure to members in the southern part of the state.

Chapters Get Conservation Jobs

In accordance with recommendations of the Scope and Policy Committee (Alex Hildebrand, Chairman), responsibility for carrying out certain club efforts on the local level has been specifically delegated to the chapters. Support of the effort to eliminate unsightly roadside billboards, support of a bill (H.R. 565) that would provide 10% of USFS receipts for recreational use in forests and a campaign for better outdoor manners (as reflected in cleaner camps),(cont.page 4)

CHAPTER TO MEET IN EAST BAY

There will be a new setting for the annual Bay Chapter meeting, to be held on December 2 at the Tilden Nature Area in the East Bay. The Junior Museum building offers shelter in case the weather calls for an indoor meeting; otherwise, the meeting will be outside. Directions for reaching the spot are on page 38 of your schedule. Coffee and apple-cake will be sold to augment the lunch you'll bring.

The Chapter meeting is your chance to see your new officers and Executive Committee, to hear reports of the past year's activities and plans for 1952. The following have been elected Chapter officers for the coming year:

Lou Henrich	Chairman
Ramona Wascher	Vice-Chairman
Dick Houston	Secretary
Bill Colvig	Treasurer

TOTS IN BURROLAND

If you've debated about taking your children on a packtrip, or just want to see what youngsters can do in the Sierra, come up to the club library, 1050 Mills Tower, and see the photographs on exhibit. Bernice and Dan Condit have taken pictures over the past eight years of their son, Philip, and his friends on high Sierra camping trips. Dan Condit wrote an article for the March, 1948 edition of the Bulletin entitled "Babes in Sierra Land" and the photographs illustrate the experiences of this enterprising family. As Philip started at the tender age of two, he could surely show seasoned packers a few things. The photographs also have excellent Sierra backdrops of interest to high-trippers and local walkers alike.

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YODELEARS HEAR--

--of a new Sierran in Salt Lake City: Jane (Holder) and Bob Geary welcomed David Stanford on November 13.

--that Mary Haight of Oakland was married September 21 to Allen F. Bailey. The couple are making their home in Sacramento and hope to participate soon in Mother Lode Chapter activities.

--that Dorothy and Richard Bradley have a new baby daughter, born November 19.

--that Bob Burtscher is now in Korea, with the Navy.

--that Shirley Maier and Roger Ortiz were married recently.

--that Bonnie and Dr. Budd Smith, while they were in New York, attended an Atlantic Chapter outing on the Housatonic River in Connecticut as guests of Ben Cummings. Louise Kern was also among the group of 14 who covered 12 miles of the Appalachian Trail. The weather was perfect and the trees were at theheight of their fall coloring--a real thrill for Californians. The Atlantic Chapter now numbers over 100.

--that Louise Byrne and Bruce Stratton were married last month in Rome. Bruce has a position with the U. S. State Department in Munich.

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YODELER WANTED to complete bound set in club library. Vol. X, No. 1, January 5, 1948. Will some member who has back copies that old please donate this particular issue to the Library Committee?

IN THE EDITOR'S MAIL

Yodelereaders:

We have finally succeeded in getting an elementary geology course scheduled by the University of California Extension Division. The course is to be "Minerals, Rocks and Land-forms," which should cover our particular needs. It will be offered in ten 1½-hour meetings, and will meet on Wednesday evenings from 7:30 to 9:00 PM beginning next January 23, at Wheeler Hall in Berkeley, Room 204. The fee for the course is $9.00, which is quite reasonable.

Mr. Garniss Curtis, the instructor, will give a brief introduction to geology of interest to all laymen. In addition, there will be lectures and demonstrations describing the common rock-forming minerals, the common rocks and geologic structures and land-forms easily identified by the casual observer,

Wednesday night was the best they could offer. I hope it meets with your approval.

Those who might need transportation from San Francisco could contact me, and I will try to arrange rides, because we don't want to have such a little thing as transportation difficulty keep us away from such a golden opportunity.

We need a minimum of fifteen people in the class if we are to assure its continuation after the first meeting, so if those of you who read this notice will continue to recruit, we will be able to insure a full class.

Could all of you who are still interested in enrolling please contact me, so that I may know where we stand?

--Kyle D. Corson
2014 Sixth Street
Berkeley 2
AShberry 3-5189

TUESDAY DINNER DATING

At Clinton Cafeteria, San Francisco:

November 27--pictures and talk on Sweden, by Avis Burchard.

December 4--Virginia McKay will speak on her trip to Europe. Pictures, too!

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PASSENGERS WANTED for drive to Mexico City in early December--one way only. Leisurely trip, but must leave by December 15. Phone Jane Tucker, DAvenport 3-7159 (1525 Waverley Street, Palo Alto). If I can't get passengers, I would be interested in driving along with another car.

ON YOUR MARK...

Snow has arrived in sufficient quantities at Clair Tappaan to say that the ski season is officially underway. Sugar Bowl will be operating the rope tows this week end and the first race of the season will be held at Squaw Valley on November 24.

Our new dam is filled with water and has an ice crust about six to eight inches thick, giving us a natural skating rink which can be smoothed out if we have enough people interested in developing this winter sport.

For those interested in the spectator end of skiing, the United States Olympic Ski Team will be practicing at Squaw Valley during December, and you can brush up on technique by observation!

Winter Rates Announced

Winter full day rates at the Lodge for members are $1 per unit, any meal or a night's lodging constituting one unit. Non-members, $1.20 per unit.

Reservations will be handled at the club office in San Francisco. Reservations will not be handled there for week ends of less than $5, which entitle the member to five consecutive units at the Lodge. The minimum sale for non-members is $6.

For stay of one day or less, make arrangements with the manager at the Lodge. It is suggested that members check with the Reservation Office before such a trip, however, to ascertain the possibility of the Lodge being filled.

Lodge rates for partial day services for members: $1.25 for breakfast, $1 for lunch, $1.25 for dinner and $1.25 for lodging. Non-members, 25¢ per unit additional.

Full day rates apply as long as the stay is continuous. In the event of interruption of stay or acceptance of less than four consecutive units, the partial day rates apply.

Peter Grubb Hut and Benson Memorial Hut rates are $3 per day if food is taken from the Lodge. Make arrangements at the Lodge. No charge for these huts if members supply their own food.

For the three day week end of February 22 to 24, the minimum will be $12.00, which will include Thursday night's lodging to Sunday dinner. Reservations for this week end will be taken at the office first come first served any time after January 1. No refund for cancelled reservations for this weekeand after February 18 unless the reservation is resold.

Reservations for any weekend except Washington's Birthday will not be taken more than one month prior to the requested week end.

Flat Rate $25.00 for one full week
Flat Rate $18.00 for five week days
Non-Member
Guest $30.00 for one full week

Week-end cancellation charges will be made as follows: Fifty cents if cancelled by 5 PM Tuesday, one dollar if cancelled by 5 PM Wednesday and two dollars if cancelled by 5 PM Thursday. No refund will be allowed for cancellations later in the week.

For health and safety reasons, snow-camping will not be permitted within 200 feet of the Lodge.

TOW OPERATORS AND PATROLMEN NEEDED

Several tow operators and ski patrolmen are needed for the coming season to patrol the hill at Norden. Many of last year's crew have heard the call of the colors and won't be with us this year.

The tow operator must take the rope down in the morning, run the tow during the day and put it up in the evening. Anybody who doesn't know how to run a tow at the present time can learn.

The ski patrolmen should have at least standard and preferably advance first aid training, for it will be their duty to patrol the hill and bring down any casualties to the doctor at the lodge. In return for these tasks, one tow operator and one ski patrolman each week end will get a free room and meals at the lodge as well as free rides on the ski tow.

On Wednesday, December 5 and Wednesday, December 12, at 7:30 PM, a ski first aid refresher course will be given by Caroline Coleman at Red Cross Headquarters in Berkeley.

Those interested in tow and patrol jobs should contact Ned Robinson, 552 Montclair Avenue, Oakland 6, TWinoaks 3-9162.

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FOR SALE: Skis, 6'9". Laminated, steel edges, cable bindings. Also women's Bass ski boots, size 8 narrow. Shirley Roberts, 2325 Jackson Street, San Francisco. (WAlnut 1-0470--phone evenings.)

NATURAL SCIENCE SECTION

Detailed Picture of Life Cycle of Deer

On Friday, November 16, Dr. Starker Leopold, a member of the club Conservation Committee and a biologist for the Museum of Vertebrate Zoology in Berkeley, told members of the Natural Science Section about the intensive study of some deer herds in an area just north of Yosemite NationalPark, which he and several assistants have been making for the State Division of Fish and Game.

These deer roamed a large area up to the crest of the Sierra in the summer time, but wintered in a small area between the Clavey River on the west and the Cherry River on the east. The Tuolumne River stopped further migration to the south. The two herds were called the Jawbone herd from the ridge of that name and the Cherry River herd. The Jawbone herd was much larger than the other, principally because of a great superiority in the winter feed as a fire had swept over the area several years before.

Buck brush was greatly favored by the deer as a browse, and upon analysis, this plant, ceanothus cuneatus, was found to have a larger protein content than any other plant. Examples were given of deer which had starved to death although their stomachs were filled with food taken from less nourishing plants.

During the hunting season, the Jawbone herd was in country quite accessible to hunters, but in spite of this a loss of only seven per cent resulted.

Heavy mortality of over forty per cent was suffered in one of the recent severe winters but the ability to reproduce is so great--nearly thirty per cent a year--that within two years the herd was back at the same number as before.

It was pointed out that the normal heavy mortality was an economic waste and that to permit hunting of does with a total kill of three or four times the present amount was advisable. It was emphasized that limits should be carefully controlled in relation to rise and fall of deer population.

It was also mentioned that predators do not seriously reduce deer populations but take mostly those animals that would die in the normal course of events.(Natch-Ed.)

FOR SALE: Ladies' French imported Chevron ski boots, size 6½. New. $25.00. Edna Willis, 469 - 25th Avenue, San Francisco, BAyview 1-7719.

GOOD NEWS FROM CARMEL

Francis Whitaker has reported to the Conservation Committee that the State of California has at last formally accepted the $15,000 collected to preserve Carmel Beach. This means that matching money is now available to begin the purchase.

The 100 acres of beach is divided into two sections, north 60 acres and south 40 acres. On the south portion, which has twice been appraised and the offers rejected, condemnation proceedings are authorized and will now begin.

Negotiations with the property owners of the north 40 acres are due to begin immediately. The small portion of privately-owned land between the beach park and Point Lobos State Park will probably not be acquired. It already carries a building and is valuable residential property, and there are very good reasons for keeping the beach park a unit without access to the State Park.

Directors meet in L.A.

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are all campaigns that can be carried out better in the several cities and counties than from a central headquarters.

Speaker Receives Great Applause

At the Annual Dinner (Southern Section), held at the Los Angeles Breakfast Club, the speaker was The Hon. Dale E. Doty, Assistant Secretary of the Interior. His talk gave the listeners renewed confidence in the efforts of the Department of the Interior to protect our natural resources. (Excerpts from the speech will be published, as will a condensation of the minutes of the Directors' Meeting, in a forthcoming Bulletin.)

On the day after the meeting Board members attended an Open House held at Harwood Lodge on the twenty-first anniversary of its dedication. Many were present who had signed the register on that earlier occasion. Old-timers saw many changes in the lodge, in which alteration and expansion is being carried out under the vigorous leadership of Art Johnson, Chairman of the Southern California Chapter and a member of the Board.

From the time they arrived by train or plane until they left for their respective homes, the Directors were most hospitably treated by generous hosts and hostesses. Transportation and lodging and all little details had been so minutely planned that the visitors could feel carefree and pampered, and they left with a feeling that southern hospitality was truly outstanding.

New Trail for Marin

Yes, a brand-new trail on the north side of Tamalpais--the Helen Markt Trail--was the project for Trail Day on November 11th. This trail is being constructed under the direction of Jim Vitek of the Marin Municipal Water District, and will connect Cataract Gulch with the Kent Trail. A hard-working party, ably supervised by Jim Vitek and Lou Henrich, moved the trail ahead for one-quarter of a mile before stopped by the rain. Using an efficient division of work, the actual trail building went ahead so rapidly that the leaders found it difficult to stay in front. This trail is going to be a beauty, too,-and will fill a need long felt to skirt Alpine Lake without using the road. In fact, we are so anxious to get this project finished that another Trail Day will be scheduled for February so that we can be using this trail this spring. If you stayed away from Trail Day because you thought your contribution couldn't be used --don't stay away next time. There is work for everyone, and it was so much fun the group didn't want to stop, until the rain got insistent. See you next Trail Day?

DOWN TO EARTH

After experiencing recently the sheer delight of camping out in the light of a full moon among the redwoods, the oxalis, the huckleberry and azalea shrubs of San Mateo County Memorial Park, I am impelled to wonder why more of our old-time campers don't enjoy the outdoors in like manner.

Not far from the Bay area are parks of great natural beauty where one - preferably two - can escape the jangling of telephone bells, the noxious fumes and crowded streets of our cities, and all the other aspects of hectic modern life. To be specific, in one brief week end you have the choice of camping out in Pinnacles National Monument or one of the nearby State Parks - such as Mt. Tamalpais, Mt. Diablo, Camp Taylor, Stinson Beach, Portola, Big Basin, Armstrong Grove and others.

On many a Saturday morning Alice and I just 'get up and go' to one of these rustic retreats, especially during the off-seasons when other campers are almost non-existent. Monday morning we are refreshed and ready for another week of business and domestic chores.

--Jim Barbour

NO CAMERAS!

Those who plan to go on the Point Bonita hike on November 25 should leave cameras at home. Army authorities have advised us that cameras are "not authorized" in the area.

SANTA'S COMING

You've heard of Santa Claus coming down chimneys, and riding down Powell Street on a cable car, but on December 8th he will arrive by different way at the Sierra Club Christmas Party. It's to be at the San Francisco Rowing Club, 504 Jefferson Street (foot of Hyde), a new and exciting location for us. There will be:

DINNER--buffet style--smörgåsbord--turkey--ham--with all the fixings, served at SEVEN O'CLOCK. (Audrey Pass and Florence Cellarius cooking.)

CAROLS--featuring a special chorus under the direction of Ethel Werfel.

DANCING at nine to the music of the Kearns & Ticoulat Rhythm Masters (you remember them from the Annual Dinner). AND if you prefer not to dance, there is a grand fireplace for popping corn -- toasting marshmallows--Christmas conversations. (Outside there's a grand marine view.)

SANTA will come. How? You will just have to be there to find out.

MIDNIGHT will bring the traditional Scandinavian ceremony with the serving of Glug--followed by a period of good fellowship till - - - ?

TICKETS are $2.90 each. Get them at the club office or from the Committee:

Audrey Pass	TE 2-1480
Florence Cellarius	EX 2-1631
Randy Weinman	MO 4-4308
Bill Colvig	PR 6-2650
Marian Beck	OL 3-0766
Joan Altieri	SE 1-3478
Lou Henrich	AS 3-4939

ALPINE SAFARI--John Jay's latest ski films will be shown at Scottish Rite Auditorium, San Francisco, December 4, and at Oakland Auditorium Theatre on December 5, 8:30 PM. This is an all-color, feature length film. All seats $1.25 plus 25¢ tax.

EAST BAY DINNER MEETING--Wednesday, November 28--Herman and Margaret Thal-Larsen will present Kodachromes of the Swiss and Tyrolean Alps. Dinner at 6:30--baked ham and all the trimmings. $1.50. Reservations must be made by 10 PM Monday, the 26th, with Lydia Muckle, OL 2-4476, or Ann Mylne, LA 4-1063. Whittier School Cafeteria, Lincoln at Milvia Streets, Berkeley.

APPLICATIONS FOR MEMBERSHIP IN THE SIERRA CLUB
LISTED OCTOBER 1, 1951 - DATE OF ELECTION DEC. 3, 1951

Applicant	Sponsors
Barbara Allen	Amy J Hodgkinson Warren C. Simpson
James C. Baird Jr. (19)	Thomas E. Pring Allen R. Tiernan
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Grant Chappell (15)	David A. Rice R. R. Delareuelle
Gladys E. Coakley	Virginia Ferguson Charlotte E. Mauk
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Frances E. Neely	Barbara Brattin Ethel Webster
Barbara A. Olesen	Virginia L. Olesen Gretchen Jones
Gloria Rohrs (19)	Jean M. Lichtenstein Michael Lichtenstein
Sam Rouder	H. M. Engle M. D. Perkins
Ilse Schulz (Mrs.)	Elsa H. Hill Suzanne Reichard
Bill Sullivan (14)	J. C. Russell J. C. Russell, Jr.
Elizabeth M. Susmann	Harvey Mielenz Chas. L. Fetzner
Marie Zaepffel	H. J. Schlesselmann Louis J. Boiteux

"C L A S S I F I E D A D S"

Cameras

FOR SALE: Camera--Contax III. Sonnar f2 uncoated lens. Coupled rangefinder, light-meter. Eveready case and filters. Excellent condition. Reasonable. Call Alan Stiles, AShberry 3-9758.

Rope

FOR SALE: Rope,--100 ft. ½-inch Manila; also 25 ft. 5/16-inch sling rope. Purchased July 1951 for $7.45 and never used. Yours for $4.50. Fred Stitt, 1 Whitaker, Berkeley 8, AShberry 3-5023.

Skis

FOR SALE: 1 pair Swiss Inglin skis(impregnated plastic bottom), 7', edges, Kandahar binding, like new, $30.00. 1 pair Swiss Attenhofer skis (solid hickory, "Temporit" plastic bottom), 6'9",edges, Kandahar binding, like new, $30.00. 1 pair new stick-on sealskins, $4.95. Don Holser, THornwall 3-2518.

Lost

AT HALLOWE'EN PARTY, leather jacket belonging to Marianne Reichert.